

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES WORKSHOP
FEBRUARY 3, 2015 AT 7:00 PM**

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Cold Spring held a workshop on Tuesday, February 3, 2015 at Village Hall, 85 Main Street, Cold Spring, NY beginning at 7:00 pm.

Attending: Trustees Bruce Campbell, Stephanie Hawkins, Michael Bowman, and Cathryn Fadde

Absent: Mayor J. Ralph Falloon (work-related)

Also: Jack Goldstein, chair of the Code Update Committee

In the absence of Mayor Falloon, Deputy Mayor Campbell presided over the meeting. Trustee Bowman moved to enter into Executive Session to conduct an interview with a candidate for independent auditor and seconded by Trustee Fadde and unanimously carried.

Tom Craven, Specialist and Jennifer George, CPA from the auditing firm of Vanacore DeBenedictus, DiGiovanni & Weddell participated in the interview.

At the conclusion of the interview, Trustee Bowman moved to exit Executive Session and seconded by Trustee Fadde and unanimously carried.

Trustee Fadde moved to accept a revised fee schedule for the Building Department (dated February 4, 2015) and seconded by Trustee Hawkins and unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION #4-2015

Moved by: Trustee Hawkins

Seconded by: Trustee Fadde

Resolved that (1) The Board of Trustees of The Village of Cold Spring hereby approves the following Budget Adjustment(s) for the 2014/2015 fiscal year:

(1)	To:	A00-1620-447	Shared Services: Technology	\$7,000.00
	From:	A00-9010-800	State Retirement	\$7,000.00
			To allocate a portion of the state retirement savings to new computers and software upgrades for Village Hall.	

And (2) The accountant is hereby authorized to transfer such funds immediately.

On roll call vote:

Trustee Stephanie Hawkins voted: YES

Trustee Bruce Campbell voted: YES

Trustee Michael Bowman voted: YES

Trustee Cathryn Fadde voted: YES

Mayor Ralph Falloon voted: ABSENT

Resolution #04-2015 officially adopted on: February 3, 2015 by a vote of 4-0-0-1.

Trustee Fadde moved to authorize payment of the audited bills and seconded by Trustee Hawkins and unanimously approved.

Trustee Hawkins moved to forward the list of outstanding taxes to Putnam County for collection and seconded by Trustee Fadde and unanimously carried.

Trustee Bowman moved to approve minutes of the 1/13/2015 meeting and seconded by Trustee Fadde. Vote: 3-0-1-1 with Trustee Hawkins abstaining.

With regards to the approval of the 1/20/2015 minutes, Trustee Fadde requested the addition of a statement indicating that she spoke about a communication from NYSDOT advising that funding for the preliminary engineering phase of the transportation project will be withdrawn as there were no requests for reimbursement since September 2013. Trustee Bowman moved to approve minutes of 1/20/2015, as amended, and seconded by Trustee Fadde and unanimously carried.

The board considered a proposal from CornerStone Advanced Communications Solutions to provide telephone service to all village departments. This proposal includes replacing some copper lines with digital service and would result in significant savings. The Town of Philipstown and Village of Nelsonville currently utilize this provider and have been satisfied. After discussion, the board requested information on whether other customers encountered any problems with a mix of digital and copper lines. The Town of Philipstown will be contacted to determine the nature of their service and any issues they've encountered. A decision was deferred until the next meeting.

Jack Goldstein, chair of the Code Update Committee submitted the **attached** report. He commented that the committee was satisfied with the scope of work in the NYSEDERDA contract but noted that there will be continued discussion on internal allocation of monies. NYSEDERDA is aware of this and is flexible about the internal budget adjustments. Further, Chair Goldstein expressed concern about funding for the SEQRA review at end of the process.

Trustee Bowman moved to authorize the Code Update Committee to apply for an extension (to 3/31/2016) for the LWRP contract (in the amount of \$27,000), and seconded by Trustee Fadde and unanimously carried.

After discussion, the board agreed to forward to NYSEDERDA a redline version of the contract. After review by NYSEDERDA, the contract will be provided to our attorney for review.

Trustee Hawkins moved to post for candidates on the Tree Board with a return date during the first week of March and seconded by Trustee Bowman and unanimously carried.

Trustee Hawkins moved to approve of the monthly maintenance contract with Management Technologies of NY, Inc. for IT support for the period ending on 2/1/2016 and seconded by Trustee Fadde and unanimously approved. Vote: all in favor.

Trustee Campbell spoke about obtaining a set price for various plumbing tasks to facilitate repairs. It was agreed to solicit quotes from three plumbing contractors stressing that response time is critical.

The board discussed the village's winter parking program and the possibility of using Facebook or Twitter for public notification. It was also pointed out that a social media policy should be developed and adopted.

Barbara Scuccimarra, Putnam County Legislator invited the mayor and board to attend an informational session on property tax bills scheduled for February 10, 2015 at Butterfield Library beginning at 11:00 am.

Tim Greco of the Putnam County News & Recorder inquired about recent correspondence from the NYSDEC related to remediation of the boat club site. Trustee Campbell spoke about a recent conversation with the DEC during which the schedule for this remediation was discussed. Additional discussion will occur at the next meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Saari, Village Clerk